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Sir:

Presented herewith is the Sixth Annual Report for the Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission for the twelve months ending December 31, 1989.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman

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Commissioner
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COMMISSION CHAIRMAN	E. Robert Stromberg, Q.C.
COMMISSION VICE-CHAIRMAN	C. Wayne Steadman
COMMISSIONER	Donald M. Pulfer, D.V.M.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	Leary P. Claypool
SUPERVISOR OF LICENCING	Suzanne H. Dring
DIRECTOR OF SECURITY	position unfilled in 1989
COMMISSION OFFICE SECRETARY	Eleanor Pastoor
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JUDGE/STEWARD TRAINEE	Patrick Murphy
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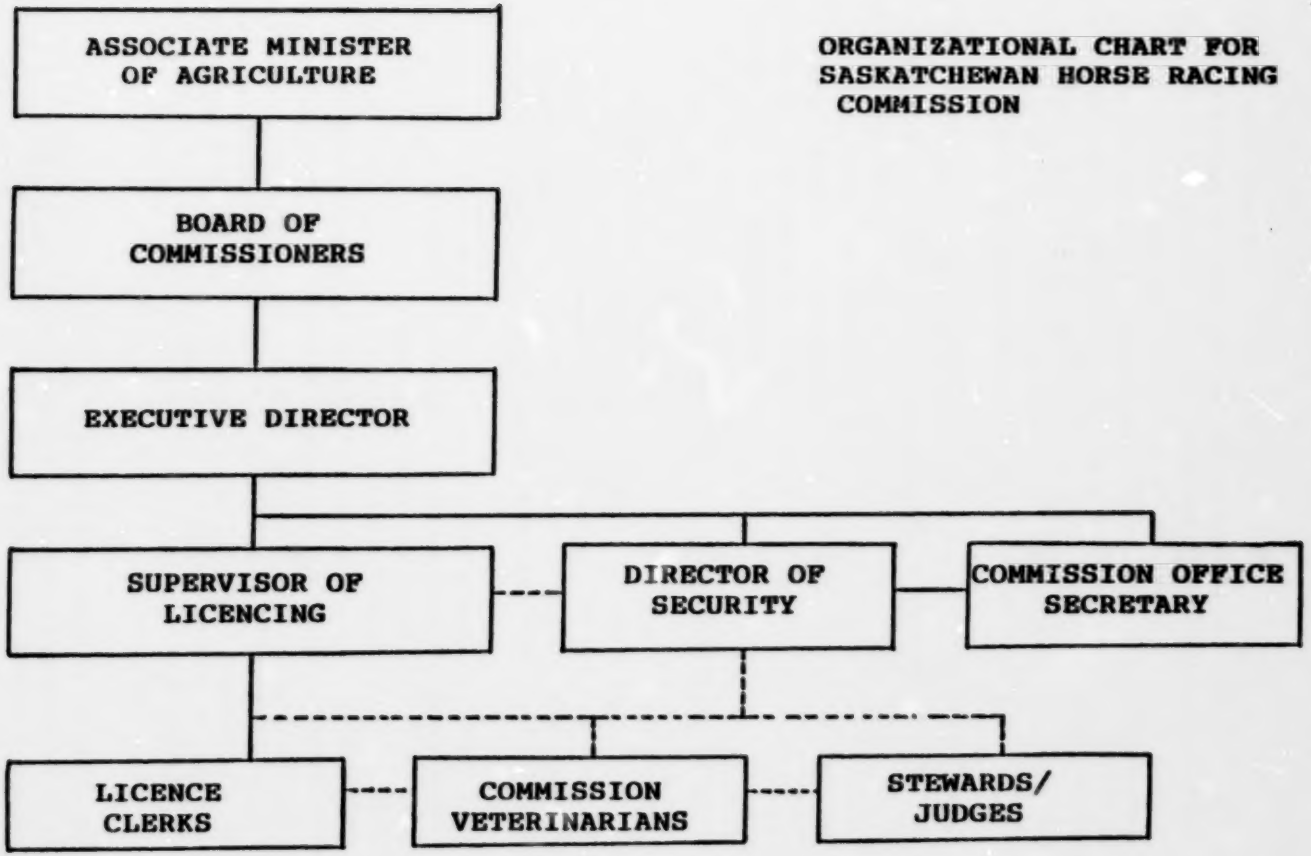

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is a pleasure for me to present this report on behalf of the Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission.

This year, the number of race days decreased from last year. However, the purses increased in all centres, as did the average amount wagered by each bettor. In 1988, the wager per capita on live racing totalled $70.11 compared to 1989's figure of $73.73. This increase may seem slight, but it is an encouraging sign.

Reciprocal licencing was introduced this spring, making Saskatchewan the first province in Western Canada to offer this program. By recognizing valid licences from racing jurisdictions across North America, the Commission eliminated the excessive (and often repetitive) paperwork required by horsemen when travelling from one province to another. This also encouraged outside participation in Saskatchewan racing. More than one hundred individuals took advantage of this new service in 1989. The reaction from the licencees has been favourable.

Saskatchewan rural race meets enjoyed dramatic increases this summer. Thanks to good weather and the concentrated efforts of volunteer corps, Yorkton and Melville excelled in the areas of attendance, purses, and pari-mutuel handles. The Commission applauds their efforts, and wishes them continued success in the 1990's.

In conjunction with the Department of Agriculture, the Commission allocated $150,000 of its budget for the marketing of horse racing in 1989. In addition to this amount, Marquis Downs and Queensbury Downs collectively spent over $250,000 to intensify their promotional campaigns. This marketing program was responsible for many different activities, including the Attend & Win promotion and improvement of track facilities. One of the more notable events was the visit to Saskatchewan by Mr. Willy Shoemaker, 'the Winningest Jockey in the World'. Mr. Shoemaker participated in three races at Marquis Downs in July, to the delight of fans who watched him race in Saskatoon and (via satellite) in Regina.

To examine the state of horse racing in our province, a study was commissioned by Saskatchewan Agriculture. Data was collected from many areas throughout 1989 to determine what areas could be improved on, where the problems lie, when rebuilding could take place, and how racing could grow to become a successful and profitable industry.

The Commission looks forward to the 1990's and believes that the exciting sport of horse racing will grow in popularity and receive the attention that it so richly deserves.

E. Robert Stromberg, Q.C.
Chairman

OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

The Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission operates under the authority of The Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission Act. This act was proclaimed on December 15, 1983. The Commission is vested by law with full authority to prescribe the rules, regulations, and conditions under which horse racing with parimutuel wagering may be conducted in Saskatchewan. The Commission also has the power to govern, direct, control and regulate horse racing in Saskatchewan.

The Commission's primary objective is to maintain the integrity of horse racing in Saskatchewan. This is carried out in a number of ways. Close supervision by the Commission and its representative at the track assure the spectator public and the competing owners of horses:

1. that the Association conducting a race meeting is operated by responsible management;

2. that every Owner and Trainer seeking to enter a horse in competition is a person of good character and of financial responsibility;

3. that every horse appearing in a race is the animal he is represented to be on the program and is carrying the correct weight as assigned by the track handicapper;

4. that every race run will represent a true competitive effort by every participating horse and rider/driver;

5. that no rider/driver, during the running of a race, commits any act that would unfairly tend to make the race anything other than a true competitive test;

6. that every horse is physically fit to race;

7. that no one responsible for the custody of a competing horse had administered or permitted to be administered any forbidden medication to the competing animal;

8. that every racing association is doing its utmost to provide the spectator public, the horses and their attendants the best possible facilities that it can afford.

The Commission also fulfills the role of liaison, acting as the intermediary between the various horse associations, the racetracks and the Government of Saskatchewan.

OBJECTIVES AND GOALS continued

The primary goals of the Commission are to build a strong and credible industry, to operate the Commission offices as efficiently and economically as possible and to serve as a steadfast entity on which the industry and the public can depend upon to preserve and maintain the integrity of horse racing in Saskatchewan.

COMMISSION ADMINISTRATION

The Commission is comprised of three individuals who have been appointed for a period of two years. The Chairman is Mr. E. Robert Stromberg, Q.C. of Saskatoon. The Vice-Chairman is Mr. C. Wayne Steadman of Regina and Dr. Donald Pulfer of Weyburn is the remaining member of the Commission.

Three full-time personnel were employed by the Commission in 1989 - Leary Claypool, Executive Director, Eleanor Pastoor, Office Secretary, and Suzanne Dring, Supervisor of Licencing. All other positions were seasonal.

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

The Commission performs a number of regulatory functions. Those of principal interest are:

1. Approving race dates;
2. Licencing all persons involved in horse racing;
3. Supervising horse racing in Saskatchewan;
4. Assisting in the development of horse racing;
5. Hearing appeals on Judges' and Stewards' rulings;
6. Approving simulcast wagering dates.

Race associations must submit their applications for the next year's race dates by October 31 of the preceding year. No decisions are made regarding the dates until all the associations have applied for their desired race dates. When all applications are in, the Commission meets to approve, disapprove, and discuss modifications to the applications. As well, Agriculture Canada approves all dates on which parimutuel wagering takes place.

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS continued

The licencing process creates vast amounts of paperwork for the head office and track offices. It is, however, an important function in the Commission operations. Every individual involved in racing is required to complete an application, as well as any other related documentation (such as partnerships, stable names, or lease agreements). These applications are checked for completeness by the Licence Clerks who collect the fees and forward the applications to the Judges or Stewards (depending upon which breed the licence applicant is affiliated with) for final approval. The Judges or Stewards review the forms and then approve or reject the application. It is of prime importance that every licencee has the required integrity and ability to participate in racing in Saskatchewan. An applicant's past racing record is also checked via microfiche from the A.R.C.I.'s (Association of Racing Commissioners, International) files in Lexington, Kentucky, USA. Various checks are completed to ensure that all licencees are qualified and competent to participate in racing.

When an application is approved, the licencee is then given a photo ID pass. This pass allows the licencee admittance into both the track and the stabling areas. Every individual who has ever been licenced by the Commission has a confidential file at the main Commission office and all records and events relating to that individual are kept on this file.

Maintenance of current applications and related documents continues throughout the racing season at the track offices. The Licence Clerks perform many duties, including the checking of the daily racing programs for each card to ensure that all participants are licenced and that all other documentation is on file with the Commission.

Supervision of horse racing in Saskatchewan is also an important role of the Commission. One of the more visible aspects of this supervision is the presence of Judges and Stewards at all racing events where parimutuel wagering takes place.

The Judges/Stewards observe the 'running' of every race at the racetrack to ensure that each contest is run fairly and honestly. They are responsible for making every race "official" after determining that the race has been run according to the rules and regulations of the Commission. They deal with claims of foul, objections and inquiries. They review the races from views taken by a main camera and tower video. When a race is close (within a half a length), they call for a photo from Mendelson Films, which they use as an aid to calling the race official. A Judge or Steward must also be present for the drawing of each race.

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS continued

Many grants are made by the Commission to various groups and organizations involved in horse racing in Saskatchewan. The Commission has returned millions of dollars to the horse racing industry within the past five years. Each association conducting a race meet with parimutuel wagering receives a grant. Both Standardbred and Thoroughbred Breeders have received grants that have totalled over a half a million dollars since 1984. This particular facet of the industry is important, as it provides for the future of horse racing in Saskatchewan. The Western College of Veterinary Medicine also receives a grant annually for researching and solving the many problems which affect the equine athlete.

The Commission acts as the representative of the industry to the public. All enquiries made by phone, letter or in person, by the public or other organizations, are answered by the Commission or routed to the proper authority. A great effort is made to improve and maintain the image and integrity of the industry so that the sport can survive and flourish in the province.

Hearing appeals of the Judges' and Stewards' rulings is vital to both the Commission administration and the licencees. When a licencee feels that a penalty (a fine, suspension, or both) is excessive or unfair, he/she has the opportunity and the right to appeal the decision. The appellant may defend him/herself or retain a representative. He or she can also bring individuals to the appeal if they may help the appellant's case by acting as a witness. The decision of the Commission is held as final. The opinions of the Judges/Stewards are not necessary those of the Commission Administration. This process of hearing appeals, with both licencees and officials present, ensures that all decisions are fair and within reasonable limits and standards set forth by the Commission.

Associations apply for simulcast wagering dates just as they apply for live racing dates. There is a limit to the number of simulcast races that an association may bring in during a calendar year. The Commission approves or rejects these dates. They also take into consideration the effect the simulcasts may have on the live racing dates.

Horse racing is a constantly changing industry. New betting profiles, inter-provincial simulcasting and the promotion and marketing thrusts made by the industry to compete with other forms of entertainment, all play an important role in keeping the sport alive. As racing evolves, the Commission endeavors to keep this sport a creditable and economically important industry in Saskatchewan.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The Commission met ten times and conducted four conference calls. Of the two appeals heard, one was denied and one was allowed.

At the track offices, 1278 licences were issued in runner-related categories. Last year, this figure was 1268. The number of harness-related licences issued totalled 608, a marked decrease from the 1988 figure of 800. Sundry licences (track employees, miscellaneous categories, Commission personnel) totalled 542 this year.

The Stewards issued 86 rulings during the thoroughbred meet at Marquis Downs, as opposed to last year's figure of 94 rulings. The Judges at Queensbury Downs issued 96 rulings, a decrease from last year's figure of 241 (this represented rulings made in both the summer and winter meets of 1988).

There was a significant increase in activities by the tracks to promote racing as an exciting form of entertainment. Some of these were:

- the highly publicized and expectedly successful visit by the winningest jockey in the world, Willy Shoemaker. Mr. Shoemaker participated in a race card at Marquis Downs to the delight of one of the highest attendance crowds at that track for 1989;

- the entertaining and amusing visit by Harvey, The Racing Buffalo, to both Queensbury Downs and Marquis Downs, which proved to be a popular attraction to young and old patrons alike;

- the commendable jobs performed by the Marketing Directors at both tracks in securing a record number of high-profile sponsors for both attendance prizes and stakes races;

The formation of an Ad Hoc Committee early this spring was also important step in the rebuilding of racing in Saskatchewan. This Committee, consisting of representatives from the racetracks and the horse associations, worked together to resolve the common problems facing horse racing in the province and to improve communication between themselves, the Commission, and our Provincial Government.

The Commission also instituted reciprocal licencing in 1989 for the first time. This program recognizes all valid licences from North America. There is no licence fee charged, and a shorter application is completed. This encourages participation in Saskatchewan racing by horsemen from other jurisdictions, and eliminates some of the repetitive paperwork which these horsemen are faced with when racing in several provinces during the year.

GRANTS TO THE HORSE RACING INDUSTRY

1% Thoroughbred Breeders	59,433.00
1% Standardbred Incentive	70,339.00
1% Quarter Horse	2,500.00
Breed Development & Sales Stakes	109,900.00
Facility Improvement - Regina	4,403.96
Facility Improvement - Saskatoon	3,549.00
General Purse Support - Regina	476,734.00
General Purse Support - Saskatoon	501,432.00
Heritage Stake Races	10,000.00
Marketing	149,961.85
Marquis Downs	202,977.00
Melville Agri-Park	3,204.48
Milburn Marketing	10,000.00
Operator - Melville	6,000.00
Operator - Yorkton	4,000.00
Other	1,075.00
P.S.M.G. - Melville	7,800.00
P.S.M.G. - Regina	37,487.50
P.S.M.G. - Yorkton	4,250.00
P.S.M.G. - Saskatoon	64,400.00
Purse Subsidy - Melville	2,600.00
Purse Subsidy - Yorkton	2,000.00
Queensbury Downs	240,373.00
Queensbury Downs Simulcast	5,250.00
Western College Veterinary College	10,750.00
Yorkton Exhibition	6,036.16
TOTAL GRANTS	*$1,996,455.95*

RACING IN 1989 - THE FAIR MEETS

Melville & District Agricultural Park Association
P.O. Box 2678, Melville Saskatchewan, S0A 2P0
Phone: (306)728-5277 Fax:(306)728-4544

BREEDS RACED	: Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, Thoroughbred	
DATES RACED	: June 23, 24, 25	
NUMBER OF RACES	: 25	
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	: 3,728	(estimated)
TOTAL PURSES	: $24,800.00	
AMOUNT WAGERED	: $20,028.00	

Yorkton Agricultural & Industrial Exhibition Corporation
P.O. Box 908, Yorkton Saskatchewan, S3N 2X1
Phone:(306)783-4477 Fax:(306)786-7577

BREEDS RACED	: Standardbred	
DATES RACED	: July 5, 6	
NUMBER OF RACES	: 24	
TOTAL ATTENDANCE	: 2,900	(estimated)
TOTAL PURSES	: $18,400.00	
AMOUNT WAGERED	: $37,726.00	

RACING IN 1989 - QUEENSBURY DOWNS

Regina Exhibition Association Limited
P.O. Box 167, Regina Saskatchewan, S4P 2Z6
Phone:(306)781-9310 Fax:(306)525-0955

BREEDS RACED : Standardbred

January 1 - April 16 (simulcast signal from Assiniboia Downs)

NUMBER OF RACES	: 361	
ATTENDANCE	: 16,122	(when available)
AMOUNT WAGERED	: $1,566,509.00	

May 5 - November 11 (live racing)

NUMBER OF RACE DAYS	: 88	
NUMBER OF RACES	: 856	
ATTENDANCE	: 70,351	
PURSES	: $1,112,774.00	(according to AG Canada)
AMOUNT WAGERED	: $4,012,800.00	(on-track)
" "	: $1,052,062.00	(inter-track to Marquis Downs)
" "	: $5,064,862.00	(total)

May 5 - November 11 (in-season simulcasts)

NUMBER OF RACES	: 19	
ATTENDANCE	: 533	(in addition to live attendance)
AMOUNT WAGERED	: $ 68,274.00	(on-track)
" "	: $ 36,766.00	(inter-track to Marquis Downs)
" "	: $ 105,040.00	(total)

November 12 - December 31 (simulcast signal from Assiniboia Downs)

ATTENDANCE	: 3,075	
AMOUNT WAGERED	: $ 416,875.00	

These totals represent all wagers made in Saskatchewan, including those on races from outside the province.

RACING IN 1989 - MARQUIS DOWNS

Saskatoon Prairieland Exhibition Corporation
P.O. Box 8428, Saskatoon Saskatchewan, S7K 6C7
Phone:(306)242-6100 Fax:(306)242-6907

BREEDS RACED : Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse

January 1 - April 16 (simulcast signal from Assiniboia Downs)

NUMBER OF RACES	:	361	
ATTENDANCE	:	10,334	(when available)
AMOUNT WAGERED	:	**$1,168,704.00**	

May 6 - October 22 (live racing)

NUMBER OF RACE DAYS	:	79	
NUMBER OF RACES	:	708	
ATTENDANCE	:	69,295	
PURSES	:	$1,180,205.00	
AMOUNT WAGERED	:	$4,174,890.00	(on-track)
" "	:	$1,140,939.00	(inter-track to Queensbury Downs)
" "	:	**$5,315,829.00**	(total)

May 6 - October 22 (in-season simulcasts)

NUMBER OF RACES	:	23	
ATTENDANCE	:	621	(in addition to live attendance)
AMOUNT WAGERED	:	$ 139,009.00	(on-track)
" "	:	$ 45,759.00	(inter-track to Queensbury Downs)
" "	:	**$ 184,768.00**	(total)

November 12 - December 31 (simulcast signal from Assiniboia Downs)

ATTENDANCE	:	4,276	
AMOUNT WAGERED	:	**$ 542,721.00**	

These totals represent all wagers made in Saskatchewan, including those on races from outside the province.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan:

I have examined the balance sheet of the Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission as at December 31, 1989 and the statements of revenue and expenditure, operating surplus and changes in cash position for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Commission as at December 31, 1989 and the results of its operations and changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principals disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Regina, Saskatchewan
February 23, 1990

G. F. Wendel, C. A.
A/Provincial Auditor

SASKATCHEWAN HORSE RACING COMMISSION

STATEMENT 1

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT DECEMBER 31

	1989	1988
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	$ 6,773	$ ---
Investments	573,803	765,363
Accounts Receivable	24,997	21,785
Prepaid Expense	3,767	1,817
	609,340	*788,965*
Furniture and Equipment	22,386	15,591
	$631,726	*$804,556*
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
CURRENT		
Bank Overdraft	$ ---	$ 4,996
Accounts Payable	71,620	172,400
Due to Department of Agriculture and Food (Note 4)	269,957	470,617
	341,577	*648,013*
EQUITY		
Operating Surplus - (Statement 3)	267,763	140,952
Fixed Assets	22,386	15,591
	290,149	*156,543*
	$631,726	***$804,556***

(see accompanying notes to financial statements)

STATEMENT 2

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

	1989	1988
REVENUE		
Grants - Department of Agriculture and Food (Note 4)	$2,443,334	$1,716,201
Interest	100,259	35,014
Licences and Assessments	28,604	54,175
Fines	9,350	14,349
Other revenue	890	41
TOTAL REVENUE	*2,582,437*	*1,819,780*
EXPENDITURE		
Administration		
Salaries and Benefits	261,514	321,807
Professional Services	51,875	53,150
Commissioner's Expenses (Note 5)	25,800	24,275
Automobile and Travel	36,103	38,869
Sundry	56,440	51,771
Supplies	12,240	14,667
Purchase of Fixed Assets	6,795	2,883
	450,767	*507,422*
Grants	1,988,503	1,245,870
Security Expenditures	2,563	2,758
Appeals Expense (Note 5)	350	7,509
Other	5,490	7,336
Facility Improvement	7,953	---
	2,004,859	*1,263,473*
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	*2,455,626*	*1,770,895*
Excess of revenue over expenditure (Statement 3)	***$ 126,811***	***$ 48,885***

(see accompanying notes to financial statements)

SASKATCHEWAN HORSE RACING COMMISSION

STATEMENT 3

STATEMENT OF OPERATING SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1989

	UNAPPROPRIATED		*APPROPRIATED*	
	OPERATING SURPLUS	CONTINGENCY RESERVE	STABILIZATION RESERVE	TOTAL OPERATING SURPLUS
Balance, Beginning of Year	$ ---	$ 56,506	$ 84,446	$ 140,952
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure (Statement 2)	126,811	---	---	126,811
Transfers from Reserves in year (Note 3)				
Contingency Reserve	2,894	(2,894)	---	---
Racing Stabilization Reserve	9,335	---	(9,335)	---
	139,040	53,612	75,111	267,763
Appropriations made during the year (Note 3)				
Contingency Reserve	(34,760)	34,760	---	---
Racing Stabilization Reserve	(104,280)	---	104,280	---
Balance, End of Year	$ ---	$ 88,372	$ 179,391	$ 267,763

(see accompanying notes to financial statements)

SASKATCHEWAN HORSE RACING COMMISSION

STATEMENT 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN CASH POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

	1989	1988
CASH PROVIDED BY		
OPERATIONS:		
Excess of revenue over expenditures	$ 126,811	$ 48,885
Net change in non-cash working capital balances:		
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(1,950)	648
(Increase) in accounts receivable	(3,212)	(12,737)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	(100,780)	38,183
(Decrease) increase in due to Department of Agriculture and Food.	(200,660)	196,826
Total cash provided by (used in) operations	(179,791)	271,805
CASH, BANK OVERDRAFT AND TERM DEPOSITS, beginning of year	760,367	488,562
CASH, BANK OVERDRAFT AND TERM DEPOSITS, end of year	$ 580,576	$ 760,367

(see accompanying notes to the financial statements)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 1989

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) The accounts of the Commission are maintained on an accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, revenue is recorded in the period in which the events that gave rise to the revenue occurred and expenses are recorded as incurred.

b) Short-term investments are stated at cost which approximates market value.

c) The Commission records fixed asset purchases as expenditures in the year of purchase and records fixed asset disposals as revenue in the year of sale. The Commission discloses the cumulative cost of the fixed assets on the balance sheet with a corresponding entry to "Equity - Fixed Assets".

2. STATUS OF COMMISSION

The Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission was established by The Horse Racing Commission Act, which was proclaimed December 15, 1983. The Commission has the powers to govern, direct, control, regulate, and assist the horse racing industry in Saskatchewan.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 1989

3. RESERVES

A) The Commission appropriates the operating surplus as follows:

i) Contingency Reserve

The amount appropriated yearly is 25% of the excess of revenue over expenditure for the year adjusted by any transfers to be made from the reserve. The reserve is to be used to make grants to the horse racing industry and to cover any future operating deficits as designated by the Commission and when decided by the Commission.

ii) Racing Stabilization Reserve

The amount appropriated yearly is 75% of the excess of revenue over expenditure for the year adjusted by any transfers designated by the Commission to be made from the reserve. The reserve is to be used as a purse supplement as and when decided by the Commission.

4. GRANT REVENUE

The Saskatchewan Horse Racing Commission receives an operating grant from the Department of Agriculture and Food, based on the provincial portion of pari-mutuel tax collected together with other amounts that may be approved by the Department. Amounts received in excess of the approved grant are due to the Department at March 31 each year.

	1989	1988
Due to Department of Agriculture and Food, beginning of year	$ 470,617	$ 273,486
Grant receipts	2,242,674	1,913,332
Grant approved	(2,443,334)	(1,716,201)
Due to Department of Agriculture and Food, end of year	$269,957	$470,617

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 1989

5. COMMISSIONER'S REMUNERATION

Included in the Commissioner's expenses and Appeals expense are Commissioners' remuneration of $26,150 (1988 - $29,925), paid to three Commissioners.

6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Included in these financial statements are expense amounts resulting from routine operation transactions conducted at prevailing market prices with various Saskatchewan Crown controlled departments, agencies, and corporations with which the Commission is related.

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